LOWE, Phillip Dean [R]—(Dist. No. 60, Florence-Darlington Cos.)—Physical Therapist and Developer; s. Don and Naoma Lowe; g. Med. Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1982; attended Univ. of S.C. and Francis Marion Univ.; 3 children; MUSC Physical Therapy Class Pres.; Amer. Physical Therapy Assn.; S.C. APTA; Bd. mem., S.C. Dept. of Natural Resources, Chm.; Wildlife and Freshwater



Fisheries Div.; Wildlife Distinguished Serv. Award; Florence Natl. Bank Founding Bd. mem.; Ducks Unlimited; mem., NRA; Dixie Youth baseball coach; Florence Bd. of Realtors; Blue Water Fishing Club; Farm Bureau; Founding Pres., Flyway Foundation; Labor, Commerce & Industry; Public Utility Subcom.; Real Estate Subcom.; Ethics Com.; Ebenezer Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2007–12.

LUCAS, **James Howle** "**Jay**", Speaker *Pro Tempore* (for biography and picture see p. 84).

MACK, David James III [D]—(Dist. No. 109, Charleston Co.)—Businessman/Radio Talk Show Host/Pres., Sunrise Communications of Charleston; residing at 4340 Evanston Blvd., North Charleston; b. Dec. 13, 1953 in Charleston; s. David James, Jr. and Dorothy P. Mack; g. Howard Univ., B.S., 1975; m. Sheryl Ann Shaw, 3 children, David IV, Brandon, and Daniel; lay speaker,



Old Bethel United Methodist Church; COBRA Bd. of Dirs.; North Charleston branch of NAACP; Bd. of Dirs. of S.C. Coalition for Black Voter Participation; Co-Chair of the Progressive Network; mem., Charleston Chap. of Rainbow PUSH; Omega Psi Phi Frat.; Bd. of Dirs. of the Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC), 1977–81; Carolina Youth Dev. Center, 1977–82; Editorial writer with *The Chronicle*, 1986–88; S.C. Substance Abuse Comm., 1980–84; prev. serv. in House 1997–12.



McCOY, Peter M., Jr. [R]—(Dist No. 115, Charleston Co.)—Atty.; residing at 667 Shortwood St., Charleston; b. Aug. 20, 1978 in Charleston; s. Peter M. and Lucy Coleman McCoy; g. Hampden-Sydney Coll., B.A., 2001; Regent Univ., J.D., 2005; June 19, 2010 m. Jennifer Blanchard, 1 child, Mae Loflin; Asst. Solicitor, Charleston Co., 2005—10; Exec. Bd., Charleston Lawyers

Club, 2007–; licensed to practice in Fed. Dist. Court of S.C. and Fed. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals; awarded the Key to James Island; Adv. Bd. for Save the Morris Island Lighthouse; prev. serv. in House 2011–12.



McEACHERN, Joseph A. "Joe" [D]— (Dist. No. 77, Richland Co.)—Real Estate Broker; residing in Columbia; b. Apr. 10 in Dillon; s. the late Lawrence and the late Gilbertine McEachern; attended Furman Univ. and Columbia Intl. Univ., majoring in Political Science and Christian Educ. respectively; June 21 m. Penny Smith, 2 children, Joseph II and Aaron; former Richland Co.

Sheriff Dep.; former mem.: Bd. of Dirs., Central Midlands Council of Govts., S.C. Central Carolina Econ. Alliance; Regional Transportation Authority; S.C. Assn. of Counties Legis. Com.; Student Adv. Com. of Cyril Busbee, State Dept. of Educ. and Gov. John C. West, 1972–73; Richland Co. Council, 1997–08, Chm., 2002, 2007–08; Living the Legacy Award, Zion Chapel Baptist Church; Living the Legacy Award, the Natl. Council of Negro Women; founding mem., Blythewood Chamber of Commerce; Pres. & CEO, Blythewood Facilities Corp.; Southeastern Women in Politics Adv. Com.; mem.: Agric., Natural Resources & Environmental Affairs Com.; Invitations Com.; apptd. to Workforce Review Com.; Dept. of Employment & Workforce Oversight Com.; Dir., Christian Educ., Ridgewood Baptist Church; Major, Civil Air Patrol; prev. serv. in House 2009–12.

McLEOD, Mia S. [D]—(Dist. No. 79, Richland Co.)—Businesswoman; Pres., McLeod Butler Communications, LLC; residing in Columbia; b. Aug. 19 in Bennettsville; d. the late James S. and Shirley J. McLeod; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1990, Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1995; Dir., Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Project; S.C. Atty. Gen., Charles M. Condon, 1997–99;



Adjunct Instructor, Mgmt. 250—Professional Comm., Univ. of S.C.—Darla Moore School of Bus., 1998–99; Dir., State Office of Victim Assistance, 1999–01; Dir. of Governmental Affairs, S.C. Dept. of Probation, Parole & Pardon Services, 2001–02; Bd. of Dirs., S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2007–10; Liberty Fellow, 2010; Chm., Rice Creek School Improvement Council (SIC), Richland School Dist. Two, 2003–04; mem.: Rice Creek SIC, 2005–07; Co-Chm., Richland School Dist. Two Bond Referendum Campaign of 2008; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sor., Inc.; graduate of The Riley Inst's S.C. Diversity Leaders Initiative, 2012; mem., First Northeast Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2011–12.

McLEOD, Walton J. [D]—(Dist. No. 40, Newberry-Lexington Cos.)—Businessman/Atty.; residing at 308 Pomaria St., Little Mountain; b. June 30, 1937 in Walterboros, the late Walton J., Jr. and the late Rhoda Lane (Brown) McLeod; g. Yale Univ., B.A., 1959; Univ. of S.C., LL.B., 1964; attended Univ. of Minn. Public Health School, summer, 1972; m. Julie E. Hamiter, 1 child;



Law Clerk, Chief Judge Clement Haynsworth, U.S. 4th Circuit Court of Appeals, 1964–65; Atty., Pope & Schumpert, 1965–67; Asst. U.S. Atty., 1967–68; Gen. Counsel, S.C. DHEC, 1968–94; Dep. S.C. Atty. Gen., 1987–88; Bd. mem.: Newberry Co. Council on Aging, 2001–; Newberry Coll. Foundation, 2005–; S.C. Alzheimer's Assn., 2007–; S.E. Inst. for Women in Politics, 2007–12; S.C. Humanities Council, 2008–; S.C. Legis. Audit Council, 2008–; Pres., Newberry Jaycees, 1967; Pres., South Caroliniana Soc., 1990–93; Chair, Central Midlands Council of Govts., 1981–82, 2001–03; Pres., S.C. Magistrates Assn.,

1976–77; State Pres., S.C. Reserve Offs., 1981–82; Natl. Pres., Judge Advocates Assn., 1991–92; Editorial Adv. Bd., S.E. Environmental Law Journal, 1993–; J. B. O'Neall Inn of Court, 1996–; recipient of Outstanding Freshman Rep. Award, 1997; S.C. Reserve Off. of the Year, 1998; Outstanding Legislator Award, Gift of Life Trust Fund, 1999; Legis. Appreciation Award, S.C. Assn. of Conservation Dists., 2006; Outstanding Serv. Award, S.C. Amer. Legion, 2006; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Human Serv. Providers Assn., 2008; 1st VC, Jud. Com., 2006–08; State House Com., 2010–; mem.: Amer. Legion; Ruritan Club; Mason; Hejaz Shriner; Holy Trinity Lutheran Church; mil. serv.: USN, 1959–61, 1963 & 1990—Capt., USN Reserve (Ret.); prev. serv. in House 1997–12.



MERRILL, James "Jim" [R]—(Dist. No. 99, Berkeley-Charleston Cos.)—Public Relations Consultant, Geechie Communications; residing at 2401 Daniel Island Dr., Daniel Island; b. Jan. 15, 1967 in Pensacola, Fla.; s. James H. and Annette McGregor Merrill; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1989, M.P.A., 1992; Aug. 29, 1992 m. Noel Marie Gaillard, 3 children, Delaney Marie,

Haley McGregor, and Darby Lee; Press Secy. for Congressman Floyd Spence, 1989–92; Political Dir., S.C. Rep. Party, 1992–98; Dist. Admin. for Congressman Mark Sanford, 1994; Owner, Geechie Communications, 1994–; mem., Univ. of S.C. Alumni Assn.; past Pres., Sigma Chi Frat.; S.C. Policy Council, Berkeley Co. Rep. Party; Whip, Majority Caucus; Fin. Com., Majority Leader, 2004–; Univ. of S.C. Gamecock Club; Daniel Island Neighborhood Assn.; mem., Stella Maris Catholic Church; prev. serv. in House 2001–12.



MITCHELL, Harold, Jr. [D]—(Dist No. 31, Spartanburg Co.)—Businessman; residing at 412 Shaw Ave., Spartanburg; b. June 3, 1965 in Spartanburg; s. Margaret Duckett Mitchell and the late Harold Mitchell attended S.C. State Univ., 1984–85; Univ. of S.C., 1985–88; attending Dominion Bible Coll.; Aug. 13, 1988 m. Wanda Dawkins Mitchell, 3 children, David Benjamin, Elizabeth

Ann, and Hannah Grace; former mem.: EPA, Natl. Environmental Justice Adv. Council; BMW Comm. Adv. Council; State Competitive Initiative Task Force on Distress Com.; mem., Bd. of Govs., Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce; Chm., Spartanburg Housing Dev.; mem., Clinton Global Initiative, 2009–; Affordable Housing Coalition of S.C. Legislator of the Year, 2007; Housing Fin. Authority Housing Achievement Award, 2008; Home Builders Hammer and Trowel Award, 2009; S.C. Educ. Assn. Retired Outstanding Serv. Award, 2009; S.C. Environmental Awareness Award, DNR, 2009; mem., Dominion Comm. Church; prev. serv. in House Nov. 29, 2005–12.

MOSS, Dennis Carroll [R]—(Dist. No. 29, Cherokee-Chester-York Cos.)—Retired, S.C. Hwy. Patrol; residing at 306 Silver Cir., Gaffney; b. Jan. 13, 1954 in Union; s. the late James Edward and Mary Ivey Moss; g. Union High School, 1972; attended Spartanburg Methodist Coll.; S.C. Criminal Justice Academy; June 24, 1978 m. Janet Ellis, 1 child, Brandon Lindsay; mem.: Lions



Intl.; Sertoma Intl.; Gaffney #186 Masonic Lodge; Cherokee Shrine Club; Hejaz Shrine Temple; NRA; Cherokee Co. Econ. Dev. Bd.; United Way of Piedmont; Buford St. Methodist Church, lay member to Annual Conf.; mem., Bd. of Dirs.: Cherokee Co. Habitat for Humanity; Cherokee Co. Senior Citizens Center; Sportsman Caucus; Rural Caucus; prev. serv. in House 2007–12.

MOSS, V. Stephen "Steve" [R]—(Dist. No. 30, Cherokee Co.)—Retired banker; residing at 104 Rains Rd., Blacksburg; b. Feb. 3, 1950 in Cherokee Co.; s. Winfred V. and Frances M. Moss; g. Clemson Univ., B.A., 1972; S.C. School of Banking, 1976; School of Banking of the South, LSU, 1984; Aug. 21, 1976 m. Cheryl C. Carlton, 3 children, Elizabeth M., Jessica M., and



Emily M.; Pres., Cherokee Co. Chamber of Commerce, 1982, 1994; Pres., Gaffney Rotary, 1996; Chm., Cherokee Co. Recreation Dist., 1982–84; Cherokee Co. School Bd., 1990–94; Cherokee

Co. Comm. Foundation Bd., 1995–04; S.C. Banker's Assn. Bd., 2007–09; prev. serv. in House Apr. 28, 2009–12.



MUNNERLYN, Elizabeth R. [D]—(Dist. No. 54, Martboro-Chesterfield Cos.)—Atty; residing at 611 E. Main St., Bennettsville; b. June 20, 1969 in Bennettsville; d. John I. III and Carolyn B. Rogers; g. Converse Coll., B.A., 1990; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1993; Dec. 29, 1990 m. J. Ronald Munnerlyn, Jr., 2 children, Mary Catherine and William Ford; law clerk, Circuit Court Judge James

E. Lockemy, 1993–94; Asst. Solicitor, 4th Circuit Solicitor's off., 1994–10; Atty. with Rogers & Munnerlyn, P.A., 1996–08; sole practitioner, Elizabeth R. Munnerlyn, P.A., 2009–; mem., Junior Charity League, Marlboro Co., 1994–04, Pres., 2001–02; Bd. mem., United Way of Marlboro Co., 2000–05; Kiwanis Club of Bennettsville, 2000–, Pres., 2003–04; mem. & Sunday School teacher, First Presbyterian Church of Bennettsville, Deacon, 1995–98, 2008–11; prev. serv. in House 2011–12.



MURPHY, Christopher J. "Chris" [R]—(Dist No. 98, Charleston-*Dorchester* Cos.)—Atty., Murphy Law Firm, LLC; residing at 4238 Persimmon Woods Dr., North Charleston; b. May 31, 1968 in Honolulu, Hawaii; s. the late Patrick J. and the late Barbara A. Murphy; g. The Citadel, B.A., 1990; Mississippi Coll., J.D., 1995; Aug. 6, 1994 m. Maité D., 2 children. Christopher A. and

Jackson F.; founding mem., Summerville Miracle League, Summerville Rotary Club; Asst. Solicitor, First Judicial Circuit, 1996–01; Special Asst., U.S. Atty., Drug/Violent Crime Task Force, 1998–01; Dorchester Co. Council, 2002–10, Chm., 2005; mem., St. Paul's Episcopal Church; mil. serv.: SCARNG; prev. serv. in House 2011–12.

NANNEY, Wendy Kay [R]—(Dist. No. 22, Greenville Co.)—Account Exec.; residing at 124 Birnam Court, Greenville; b. April 16, 1965 in Greenville; d. Bob and Barb Taylor; g. Bob Jones Univ., B.S., 1987; Dec. 12, 1986 m. Timothy Lee Nanney, 5 children, Meredith, Taylor, Kacey, Travis, and Maggie; Chm., Greenville Co. Rep. Party, 2006–07; Treas., Upstate Rep. Women's Club, 2003–06;



Winning Women Graduate, 2006; former staff, Sen. Foreign Relations Com.; mem., Hampton Park Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2009–12.

NEAL, Joseph H. "Joe" [D]—(Dist. No. 70, Richland-Sumter Cos.)—Minister/VP, New Horizons Systems, Inc.; Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Chester; residing at 1326 Clarkson Rd., Hopkins; b. Aug. 31, 1950; s. Choatte R., Sr. and LaVerne K. Neal; g. Benedict Coll., B.A., 1972; post graduate studies, Colgate Divinity, Pittsburg Theological Seminary; Hon. D.D., Benedict Coll.;



Chm., Citizens for Hopkins Comm. Organization; mem.: Moving Forward Comm. Group; NAACP; Kappa Alpha Psi Frat., Inc.; Amer. Soc. Software Engineers; Bd. of Dirs., past mem., S.C. Fair Share; co-founder, CLEAN—Citizens Local Environment Action Network; Bd. mem., S.C. Environmental Watch; founder and Bd. mem., Area Communities in Econ. Dev. (Comm. Dev. Corp.); Sumter Area Econ. Dev.; Bd. mem., Funds for Southern Coms.; Lower Richland Water Authority, Lower Richland Comm. Council; past mem., First Union Bank Comm. Reinvestment Act Adv. Bd.; Rural Sumter Comm. for Econ. Dev.; Chm., Citizens for Hopkins Neighborhood Assns.; Gov.'s Nuclear Waste Task Force; Co-Chm., S.C. Progressive Network; Bd. mem., AAEJAN—The African Amer. Environmental Action Network; Chm., S.C. Legis. Black Caucus, 2000-02; Dep. Dem. Leader; House Ways and Means Com.; Hon. Ph.D. of Humanities, Francis Marion Univ.; prev. serv. in House 1993-12.



NEWTON, Wm. Weston J. [R]—(Dist. No. 120, Beaufort-Jasper Cos.)—Atty./Partner, Jones, Simpson & Newton, P.A.; residing at 83 Myrtle Island Rd., Bluffton; b. Feb. 22, 1967 in Greenville; s. Jourdan J. Macfie and the late Howard Newton; g. Washington & Lee Univ., B.A., 1989; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1993; Apr. 25, 1998 m. Rose R. Buyck, 3 children, Reedy,

William, and Eliza Rose; Order of Wig and Robe, Univ. of S.C. School of Law, 1993; Law Clerk, Hon. John H. Waller, Jr., Assoc. Justice, S.C. Supreme Court, Judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, 1993–94; Law Clerk, Hon. C. Weston Houck, Chief U.S. Dist. Judge, Dist. of S.C., 1994–96; mem., Beaufort Co. Council, 1999–12, Chm., 2003–12; 2004, 40 Under 40 Top Young Bus. Professionals in Savannah/Hilton Head; Bd. mem., S.C. Assn. of Counties, 2005–10, 2nd VP, 2011, 1st VP, 2012; Best of Bluffton Best Atty. Award, 2007; Univ. of S.C. Bd. of Visitors, 2008–12; former Bd. mem.: Sunset Rotary Club; Volunteers in Medicine; Leadership Hilton Head/Bluffton; mem.: Beaufort Co. Bar Assn.; Hilton Head Bar Assn., Treas., 1997–98; Secy., 1998–99; Pres., 1999–01; mem., Church of the Cross, 1996.



NORMAN, Ralph W. [R]—(Dist. No. 48, York Co.)—Real Estate Developer; residing at 907 Maple Hill Lane, Rock Hill; b. June 20, 1953 in York Co.; s. Warren and Mary Norman; g. Presbyterian Coll., B.S., 1975; Dec. 1974 m. Elaine Rice Norman, 4 children, Warren III, Caroline, Anne, and Mary Catherine; past Pres., Rotary Club, 1978; Bd. of Realtors, 1982; York Co. Home

Builders, 1984; past Chm., Bd. S.C. Bank & Trust, 1996–99; Piedmont Hosp., 1998; Bd. of Visitors, Med. Univ. of S.C.; prev. serv. in House 2005–06; Nov. 3, 2009–12.

OTT, Harry Legare, Jr. [D]—(Dist No. 93, Calhoun-Lexington-Orangeburg Cos.)—Farmer; residing at 461 Bull Swamp Rd., St. Matthews; b. Oct. 2, 1952 in Orangeburg; s. Harry Legare Ott, Sr. and Virginia Inabinet Ott; g. Clemson Univ., B.S., 1974; Aug. 7, 1976 m. Linda Fleming, 2 sons, Russell and Kevin; Ways and Means Com.; Health Care Subcom.; Econ. Dev., Capital



Improvement & Other Taxes Subcom.; Public Utilities Review Com.; Mason; Natl. Gas Exploration Feasibility Study Com.; Andrew Chapel United Methodist Admin. Bd.; Chm., Calhoun Co. School Bd., 1992–96; mem., Calhoun Co. School Bd., 1980–88; former mem.: Orangeburg-Calhoun Regional Hosp. Foundation Bd.; Calhoun Co. Dev. Comm.; former Pres. & State Dir., Calhoun Co. Farm Bureau; prev. serv. in House 1999–12.

OWENS, Phillip Drayton [R]—(Dist. No. 5, *Pickens* Co.)—Businessman; residing in Easley; *b.* 1951 in Pickens; *s.* Fred William and Lillian Parsons Owens; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1973; *m.* Lynn Catherine Southerland, 2 children, Lori Jill and Kathryn Diana; Bd. mem., Pickens Co. YMCA, 1995–05, CVO, 1997–98, 2007–08, 2011; First Union/Wachovia Bank Upstate Adv. Bd., 1998–02;



Carolina First Bank Adv. Bd., 2002–07; mem.: Greater Easley Chamber of Commerce, 1993–, Chm., 1994, 2001–04; Pickens Co. Salvation Army Bd., 1995–98; Easley Econ. Dev. Corp., 1997–00; Pickens Co. Manufacturers Assn., 1996–97; YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly, 2000–02; Palmetto Baptist Med. Center Foundation Bd. mem., 1999–02, 2008–09; Rotarian; Natl. Co-Chm., Leadership for Healthy Comms., 2010–11; NCPSO Policy Maker Adv. Bd., 2010; mem., NCSL Educ. Comm.; SREB, Exec. Bd.; ALEC, Educ. Com.; St. Andrews United Methodist Church, Fin. Chm., 2011; prev. serv. in House July 2, 2002–12.